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A method of diagnosing a disease comprising determining the presence of a genetic modification in a gene obtained from a subject which encodes a human G protein β_3 subunit. Also disclosed is a method for establishing the relative risk of developing a disorder associated with G protein dysregulation.